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"THE PEOPLE HAD A MIND TO WORK."

While most of the holy writings consist of spiritual food, there are suggestions in the Bible which show that in an industrious or commercial point of view, we should not be indolent. "Be diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord," is one of the most practical suggestions in the good book.

The portable tabernacle now being used in the revival services on upper King street is upon the spot which, in ante-bellum days was known as "Peyton's Grove," the center of the present city of Alexandria. In 1856, when a balloon ascension was made in that enclosure, a large percentage of the people gathered to see "Mongolier and his silken ball."

The huge multitude watched the aeronaut until his balloon became a mere speck in the sky and finally passed from sight.

They then had their physical eyes turned heavenward while the present generation which now gathers in the same place have their spiritual eyes turned to God above.

But this article is not written for the purpose of delivering a sermon to compete with the enthusiastic messenger of the "cross now among us." We have been forcibly impressed with the beautiful picture of men of all creeds and nationalities dwelling together in unity, and under the same tent. There is no Jew nor Greek, barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free—they are all mingling with one hope. In the days of Nehemiah, after Cyrus had allowed the Jews to return to their own land at the close of the seventy years of Babylonian captivity, the chosen people experienced no little difficulty in building Jerusalem. We are told that they worked with a sword in one hand and a trowel in the other. But the record says, "So we built the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof; for the people had a mind to work."

This spiritual refreshing will continue a month. We will look for the harvest, hoping the seed is being sown which shall bring forth thirty, sixty and one hundred fold. Some will, doubtless, fall upon the hard paths, upon rocks and among thorns, as it ever has done; but let us hope for the best.

All will agree that the spiritual welfare of a city is of prime importance, and that its commercial interests, while vital are necessarily secondary, but the fact that our people have come together as one man, in the greatest religious movement ever launched in old Alexandria, proves conclusively that after this great and important work shall have been concluded, we can all come together and launch movements which will bring about better conditions in a commercial way. We are told to "Seek first the kingdom of heaven and all these things (worldly wealth) shall be added unto you," and now that we have commenced right, let us later on vie as earnestly for the

betterment of our beloved city along civic and commercial lines.

COLORED FOLKS INTERESTED

A well-known colored resident, has sent a communication to the Gazette, in which he says he understands the colored people of the city are to be given an opportunity to hear Evangelist Gypsy Smith, at the gospel tent. The writer accords much praise to Mr. Smith and expresses his appreciation of the great work in which he is engaged.

It should be stated that some colored people have attended these meetings from the beginning, and that their presence has encouraged those who have charge of the revival. In the Acts of the Apostles we are told of a disciple known as "Niger" who was called black. It is generally supposed Niger was a negro, but he took a prominent part in the work of the early church.

In ante-bellum days and for some time subsequent the pastors of the white churches of Alexandria frequently conducted services in the colored churches. They generally appeared among the colored people on Sunday nights, and their presence was always greeted with joy by the believers. After the close of hostilities visits of white ministers to colored churches became few and far between, from the fact that the colored race had ministers of their own. The negro is with us, and he is destined to stay with us. His progenitors were not born on the North American continent, nor were ours, but he needs encouragement and sympathy, as do all followers of the Holy One of Israel.

There have been Baptist, Presbyterian, Methodist and Episcopal nights and it is said the colored people would appreciate it if they were given an evening.

Since writing this article the Gazette learns that the northwest section of the big tent has been set apart for the accommodation of the colored people of the city for each nightly service.

SALE OF DEADLY WEAPONS

The deplorable tragedy Thursday afternoon, in which an esteemed lady of Louisa county took her life, while suffering from physical anguish of long months standing, should add strains of thought to the ideas of local lawmakers.

The Richmond Virginian calls attention to the fact that many efforts have been made to regulate the sale and purchase of deadly weapons. No man, or woman, without special permission from the judge of a court, can, under the law, carry a concealed weapon.

But there is no law preventing the sale of a weapon to any one who may apply to a hardware store or a pawnshop. An ordinance stood upon the books for a long time prohibiting pawnbrokers from buying or selling weapons. This law was recently stricken from the books, so that now any one may sell or purchase a pistol.

Had there been a law prohibiting the sale of such weapons, Mrs. Renolds could not have purchased the pistol with which she took her life, and there might have been fewer motherless children today.

TURN IN THE TIDE

It has been apparent for some time that the tide of battle in Europe has turned. The recession is painfully apparent to Germany, although that country still affects to treat as matters of no importance the steady progress of the allies and the falling back of the Teutons. One of Dickens's characters, who never realized the serious problems of life, had a saying, "It's of no consequence." This observation seems to have been adopted by the central powers in trashing aside as incidents of no importance facts which are of serious import.

The capture of Guillemont and the quick progress to the sunken road beyond; the taking of Falfemont farm and the thrust forward to Leuze wood, the close assault on Guichy and the French advance on the allies right have given to this part of the battle line an atmosphere of exultation that the English and French troops have not enjoyed since the day they broke the second German line at Longueval.

The men are fighting with that sense of victory which is half the battle.

They feel, rightly or wrongly, that they have the Germans on the run at last.

The rapid progress of the French is helping the men, not only in a military way, but as a moral tonic. For it shows that German strength and resistance has begun to crack and give way. The sense of getting on top now is inspiring the allies to fight to the last ounce of their strength.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Under the above heading the Gazette will be pleased to give reasonable space to any person who desires to make comment upon matters of general interest to the public. Writers will of course be responsible for their utterances. A guarantee of good faith, the name and address of the writer of any article submitted for publication will be required in each instance.—Editor Gazette.

Editor Gazette:

Those who have heard the Evangelist, Rev. Gypsy Smith, have been impressed with the fact that it is the real man and woman that counts in religion, and it is the individual, who, when unconscious of self, is the real individual.

We are more or less given to display, generally more than less. Sometimes we almost imagine, or think from our observations, that life is getting to be one vast parade, and the saddest part of all, to my mind, is that often display is made when there is no truth in it. This holds good in material as well as in religious things. For instance, some folk try to appear wealthy, when in fact they possess little, consequently the display is a lie. "Paste diamonds" came into use for this purpose, simply to tell a lie. Then there is often a show of worth. Humility is not altogether a lost virtue, but it is a well high forgotten art.

When we come to the question of morality, for instance, we find the world is not lacking in those who make a display of it—a long list of supposed virtues are placarded on the backs of individual characters. We refer to them as Mr. or Mrs., unselfish and liberal, hence kind and good, and the world is supposed to look and read and believe. These people are not hypocrites, for the hypocrite is one who makes a false parade of his religion, claiming to have it when he knows he has it not. For, as Gypsy Smith so stated, it is in the realm of religion that hypocrites are born and bred.

It is a very easy matter for some of us to do things when somebody is looking on, but the greatest heroes and heroines in all the relations of life are those whose praises have never been sung, because their deeds have not been known. With self as spectator it is a little harder to act and think when no one on the outside is watching, and it is harder to play before one's self than before the world. Yet we are not on the ground of unconscious influence even in this. When I look alone at my own deed there is a compelling and restraining force in it all. The world may not see what I am going to do tomorrow, but God knows I do not want to lose my own self-respect, for when I lose that I lose well nigh all. Unconscious influence does not mean simply that the one yielding it is unconscious of the extent of it, but that he is unconscious of the fact that it is an influence at all. In unconscious influence there is no effort made; it is like the beating of the heart, involuntary; just can't be helped. You can't guard against it, nor can you force it, for it is you; there is no show about it, absolutely no display, for you are unconscious of it yourself, for a man's real self is his unconscious influence. It may be identified with personality, but it is the biggest thing we have; it is almost like the unspoken Word, the undone deed, the unsought thought, is this unconscious influence; it is the storehouse of our worth and like the unconscious mind in which are hid away many treasures upon which we now and then draw. "If the violet knew of its sweetness I wonder if it would be content with its lowly place hidden beneath the leaves, or if the gold knew its value would it be content to lie hidden under the crust of the earth, or the rainbow knew its glory would it ever hide its face, yet it is the humility of the violet, which makes it sweetest; it is the fact that gold is hidden that makes it valuable; it is the coming and going of the rainbow that challenges attention."

In all this I would not cast reproach upon the conscious efforts, but simply exalt the worth of unconscious effort. How do we exert this unconscious influence? We wield it by just the same means that we wield the conscious influence; we wield it by our conversation, the unstudied conversation, when thoughts have not been thought and words have not been chosen; in other words when we are not trying to put our best foot foremost and show off to the best advantage. It is when we speak to those with whom we come in contact whether in the home, in the office or on the street, and we wield it by our deeds, the every day deeds and every day affairs of life. It is not when we are trying to prove our worth in church affairs by making a parade of ourselves, but when we do everyday deeds that we wield an unconscious influence, and it is not when the preacher is in the pulpit but when

he is dealing man with man that he is wielding an unconscious influence; it comes from deeds unplanned. We wield this influence by our every look and manner, not when we know others are looking at us, but when we reveal our soul in our eyes and manner that we wield this unconscious influence and the world judges us by it.

We cannot fool the world, either by our words or by our deeds nor deceive God. Cannot we then say we accomplish more by unconscious than by conscious influence? For if we are judged by it we influence through it, for it is the real self that counts for most in us all. It may possibly be that some men have lived a lie, but wherever their unconscious influence has been felt it has far outweighed the conscious effort, and more than that the unconscious influence decides one's eternal welfare; deeds which go out of the man's real self are the ones to be taken account of in heaven, for these are what really measures the man as an individual. Those of us who are trying to make an impression upon our fellowmen never make any impression upon God. "Behold, I never knew you" shall He say to all such.

A man's real self gets to heaven or sinks into hell. Flashy unrealities are left behind. We are just what our unconscious influence makes us. "S. B. W."

NEWS OF THE DAY

One man was struck and killed by lightning, another was badly injured when a bolt struck a tombstone in a cemetery, several animals were killed and three Philadelphia churches were damaged during an electric and hail storm which swept over the city yesterday afternoon. Virtually every section of the city suffered storm damage when nearly 1-2 inches of rain fell.

Naomi Beach, 18 year old daughter of a farmer living near Huntsville, Ark., was indicted yesterday on a charge of first degree murder. She is said to have admitted that she shot and killed Earl Sisco, aged 20 years, son of a neighbor on July 11. They had been sweethearts but had quarreled. The girl is reported to have said that she killed the boy because he cursed her when she sought a reconciliation.

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